**Appendix B**

**Reserves balances as at 31 March 2026**

| | Opening balance as at 1 April 2025 £000 | Closing balance as at 31 March 2026 £000 |
|---|---|---|
| 1.Public Health Grant | 168 | 420 |
| 2.The Aldgate School reserves | 107 | 115 |
| 3. CWDC integrated workforce grant | 7 | 7 |
| 4. Improved Better Care Fund (iBCF) | 127 | - |
| 5. Dedicated School Grant (DSG) | 251 | (290) |
| 6. DCCS Reserves | 1,846 | - |

1. The public health grant is paid to local authorities from the Department for Health and Social Care (DHSC) budget. It is used to provide vital preventative services that help to support health. This includes smoking cessation, drug and alcohol services, children's health services and sexual health services, as well as broader public health support across local authorities and the NHS.

2. The Aldgate school is a voluntary aided school and the only maintained school in the City of London. Reserve fund represents an accumulation of funds set aside by the school for future purposes.

3. The CWDC (Children's Workforce Development Council) integrated workforce grant was launched with the primary aim of supporting integrated children's workforce training and development and the move towards more flexible career pathways as well as the development of a more robust leadership and management development approach across integrated services.

4. The iBCF (Improved Better Care Fund) is passed to local authorities with social care responsibilities for the purposes of meeting adult social care needs, reducing pressures on the NHS, supporting more people to be discharged from hospital when they are ready and ensuring that the social care provider market is supported.

5. The Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) is a ring-fenced grant allocated to the authority by the Government to support a range of education related services.

6. This one-off reserve reflected higher-than-anticipated income received from the Home Office in relation to the Afghan Resettlement Scheme. The reserve was

held to support ongoing commitments within the Department of Community and Children's Services to bridge the funding gap until new permanent budget uplifts were agreed for 2026/27.